

# BADLANDS GUILD NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2011



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

BY

Susan Melgaard

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and I wish you all a great New Year. Good health, good crops, healthy cattle and very interesting quilt patterns. Oh, and may you all manage to sneak a few yards in without being caught.

What can I say? How many months have we sewn on gifts and now we can start all over again. Look at Norma Lee for an example. How many of us were just a bit jealous seeing her get those UFO's finished. I for one am starting on UFO's in January and there will be many of them finished by next Christmas. We should all try finishing some before we start new projects. I kind of fell off the wagon in December and threw a new project into my mix. The Melgaard family will be having a reunion in Bottineau this summer. I decided to make a signature quilt for the event. Not a very large one, it's only 42 x 42. They'll each have to sign small or write on the back. I used all the left over fabric from the front to create a back and by gosh I like the back as much as the front now. Can I call it a two sided quilt? Even found a block pattern that I recreated (with a bit of a change), in a different size on EQ for the label. Printed it off as a paper pieced block and it's done now too.

I hope you are all enjoying the BOM blocks from Lynn Heald. I have mine done and I think it will make a very interesting small quilt or maybe placemats. I really need placemats.

Hope many of you will be able to take part in the Sleepover at Medora this January. Don't forget. Call Medora for your reservations. I will think of you enjoying all that sewing and companionship. You won't see me there this year.

My husband and I are taking a vacation heading out to California mostly. See you at the Badland's meeting in Minot during Festival.

*Due to some technical difficulty we are unable to put the block of the month in the newsletter. It will be posted on the website this month. We hope to be able to get them back in the next newsletter.*

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BADLANDS QUILTERS GUILD  
 GENERAL ACCOUNT  
 TREASURER'S REPORT NOVEMBER 20, 2010

Bank Balance 9/18/2010		\$6301.78
Plus Deposits	\$1140.55	
Less Checks and Withdrawals	\$ 79.48	
Current Balance 11/21/2010		<u>\$6362.85</u>

BADLANDS QUILTERS GUILD  
 RETREAT ACCOUNT  
 TREASURER'S REPORT NOVEMBER 20, 2010

Bank Balance 9/18/2010		\$18271.07
Plus Deposits	\$ 5403.00	
Less Checks Issued	\$14943.58	
Current Balance 11/20/2010		<u>\$ 8730.49</u>

Badlands Quilt Guild  
 Meeting Minutes  
 November 20, 2010  
 Lutheran Church Meeting Room  
 Medicine Lake, Montana

Guild Officers

President: Susan Melgaard, Minot  
 Vice President: Carol Kummer, Watford City  
 Secretary: Janet McCabe, Medicine Lake  
 Treasurer: Norma Lee Miller, Williston

The Badlands Quilt Guild met Saturday, November 20, 2010, at the Lutheran Church Meeting Room in Medicine Lake, Montana, at 12:00 PM MST. It was a wintry day in North Dakota and Montana. We had lunch of lasagna, salad, garlic bread, and dessert served by the Medicine Lake Badlands members. There were 11 members present: |President Susan Melgaard, Secretary Janet McCabe, Treasurer Norma Lee Miller, Jan Blair, Connie Bracken, Nancy Jensen, Kathy Johnson, Danette Rasmussen, Eileen Solberg, Nancy Thuesen, and Kaye Tufton.

President Susan called the meeting to order. The minutes from the October Retreat meeting were published in the newsletter. Danette moved to accept and Kathy seconded. Thank you to Eileen Solberg who took those minutes.

Norma Lee presented the Treasurer's report. The retreat account is in the black and she will present a more detailed report for the end of year at the January meeting at Sleepover in Medora. A big "thank you" to Debbie Hendrickson who coordinated the Long Arm Quilting class on Thursday of the Retreat.

This was an extra class with Sharon Schamber, the national teacher. 12 women attended, and Sharon charged per member. This did not cost the Guild any money, and we all felt it added to the Retreat experience. Motion by Kaye and second by Nancy J to accept the Treasurer's report.

Norma Lee announced that the Guild has been reinstated by the IRS as a non-profit organization (990-N).

President Susan reminded us that the 2011 membership fees are due by December 31, and should be paid to Donna Nason, Membership Chairman. The annual dues are \$20. Several members in attendance sent their checks to Minot with Susan.

Concerning the Retreat, there was some discussion whether we should open the lecture on Saturday evening to the public. There is now an extra charge for the use of the lecture hall, but it would only be used that one day for the Guild meeting and the guest lecture. It was our recommendation that we would like it to be open for the public, but the final decision would rest with the Retreat committee.

There was also some discussion about adding one more national teacher to the Retreat. We decided to wait and see how the Retreat attendances and finances look at a later date. The national teachers are usually booked two years in advance—Deb Karasik is the 2011 teacher. [www.debkarasik.com](http://www.debkarasik.com)

Kaye inquired if there was any kind of scholarship program available for the Retreat. The subject was tabled for lack of a motion.

Thank you to Lynn Heald who is presenting the Guild with 6-inch block of the month patterns. There are two in each newsletter,

and another two on the website. These are public domain blocks.

There was no Cowboy Christmas this year.

Home on the Range made \$1400 at an auction held in Bismarck.

Kathy announced that the Williston Guild will be hosting Cheryl Wittmayer of Billings in April. Dates and classes to be announced later.

The next meeting will be at the Sleepover in Medora the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of January—January 14-16. Please call the AmericInn Hotel direct line for your reservation and quilters rate, not the "800" reservation number.

Our meeting closed with Norma Lee presenting her Finished UFO's.... she was challenged by several members and she met the challenge with flying colors. We all enjoyed her many quilts and stories to go with the projects.

Meeting adjourned.

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## EQ 7 STUDY GROUP

By Norma Lee

When the Electric Quilt #7 came onto the market some of us organized a Yahoo Study Group to encourage one another to do the EQ lessons. We wanted to learn everything the new EQ had to offer. Many of those in the group have completed the lessons. For those who have not completed the lessons in January 2011 we will be starting again encouraging you to do the lessons. We will also begin working on some EQ projects as a group. We set our goal as a group to complete one lesson or one project per week. The lessons and the projects are short and do not require much time to complete.

It only requires dedication. If you received the EQ7 as a Christmas gift I would like to invite you to join our group. If you have friends or family that received the EQ 7 program as a Christmas gift you may invite them to join our group. This is an open group for our area; you do not have to be a guild member to join. To sign up for the EQ7 Study Group contact Kris Jacobson or Norma Lee Miller as soon as possible.

## WHAT'S IN THE NEWS

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### **BADLANDS QUILT GUILD SLEEPOVER AND MEETING**

JANUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> -16<sup>TH</sup> AT THE AMERICINN  
MEDORA. THE GUILD MEETING WILL  
BE SATURDAY AT  
12:00 MT 1:00 CST IN THE LOBBY WITH  
A POTLUCK LUNCH.

#### **March Badlands Meeting**

#### **Minot Prairie Quilt Festival**

Our March meeting will be at the Grand Int. Inn on Saturday, March 19, 2011 at noon. Probably in the Bar as everything else will be filled with quilters and the Bar is closed at that time. I will take reservations for lunch closer to the date. Think about joining us for this meeting. If you are interested in checking out the classes, vendors and information to enter quilts, please go on line to [www.minotquilters.com](http://www.minotquilters.com). We would love to have your quilts in the show and you in the classes. Susan

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OR EMAIL AND MAKE SURE SHE HAS  
YOUR CORRECT NAME, ADDRESS  
AND PHONE NUMBER.

*Janet McCabe, secretary, will be gone for our meeting in January and March and will need someone to take the minutes and pass around a sheet for those in attendance to sign. Be thinking if you can do this for her.*

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS 3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY THE MONTH**

January	Medora Sleepover
March	Minot (Festival)
May	Bismarck
July	??????????
September	Watford City